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Senator John Barasso Chairman Committee on Environment and Public Works 410 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Senator Tom Carper Ranking Member Committee on Environment and Public Works 456 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20501

Dear Senators Barasso and Carper,

This is to support the nomination and confirmation of Alexandra Dapolito Dunn to serve as Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. I recommend her without reservation.

Alex's extensive professional experience working in the environmental field over the past 25 years positions her perfectly to provide the leadership and perspective needed to succeed as EPA's Assistant Administrator. In addition to her recent experience as EPA's Regional Administrator, she has worked with State environmental agency leaders, municipal agencies, industry and academics. Alex has relied on her legal background to guide organizations, clients and students concerning a full range of environmental issues. She has been involved in all aspects of environmental law, legislation, regulation, policy and litigation, both as a leader of large organizations and as an attorney. Alex appreciates and has cultivated collaboration instead of conflict when possible, reaching out to a broad range of stakeholders. This has enabled her to achieve reasonable, fair and creative approaches to address today's complex environmental challenges.

In addition to her experience, Alex's brings integrity, intelligence, a strong work ethic, excellent communication skills and a can-do attitude to the job. These qualities, together with her background, will enable her to accomplish the important tasks of the office.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Alex since the summer of 1993, when she began work as a summer law clerk before becoming an associate in the Washington, D.C. office of a large, international law firm where I was a partner. I have remained in close contact with Alex since that time, and have followed her stellar professional trajectory closely. Relying on my knowledge of Alex, my experience as a former Assistant Administrator at EPA, as a Kentucky Cabinet Secretary and as an attorney representing private sector clients in environmental matters for many years, I am confident saying there could be no better person for the job than Alex Dunn.

Sincerely,

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